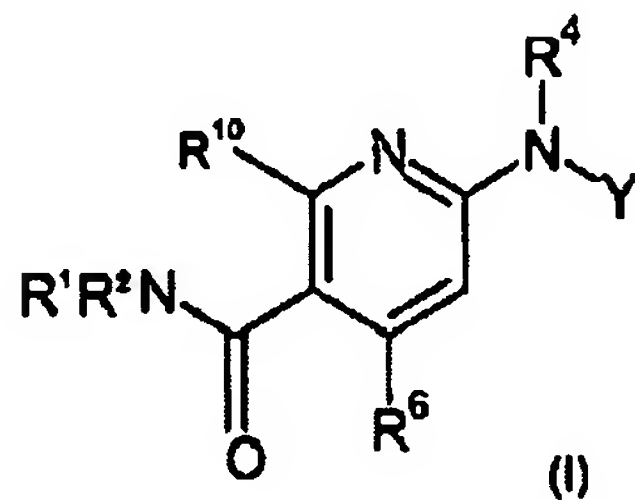


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ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to novel pyridine derivatives such as compounds of the formula (I):



and the use of such compounds or pharmaceutical compositions thereof in the treatment of diseases, particularly pain, which are mediated by the activity of the cannabinoid 2 receptor.